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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment After Final Rejection.

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Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated May 3, 2005, the Applicant submits the following argument for reconsideration of the non-obviousness of the invention being claimed in the instant patent application.

ARGUMENT

In ¶ 3 of the office action, claims 1, 4, 8, 9, 11-13, 30-32, and 34-36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,269,379 to Hiyama $et\ al.$ in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,694,434 to McGee $et\ al.$ and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,319,776 to Hile $et\ al.$ The Applicant traverses this ground for rejection for the following reasons.

Both of independent claims 1 and 30 recite limitations not found in any of the three cited patents, namely, that a registry file contains encrypted data representing a list of